

*I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*  
**RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution No.	Sponsor	Title	Date Intro	Date of Presentation	Date Adopted	Date Referred	Referred to	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	NOTES
68-36 (LS)	Therese M. Terlaje Telena Cruz Nelson	Relative to recognizing April 26 to April 30, 2021 as "Reentry Court Week"; and commending individuals reentering society with the commitment to be positive and engaged citizens who make meaningful contributions to our island.	4/23/21 1:25 p.m.	TBA						

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**2021 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 68-36 (LS)**

Introduced by:

Therese M. Terlaje *Tmt*  
Telena C. Nelson *HN*

**Relative to recognizing April 26 to April 30, 2021 as “Reentry Court Week”; and commending individuals reentering society with the commitment to be positive and engaged citizens who make meaningful contributions to our island.**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:**

**WHEREAS**, reentry refers to the transition of offenders from prison to community supervision; and

**WHEREAS**, the Second Chance Act, passed by Congress and signed into law by President George W. Bush on April 9, 2008 aimed to enhance public safety by breaking the cycle of criminal recidivism and improving outcomes for people returning from prisons, jails, and juvenile facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2015, the Judiciary of Guam received an award from the Bureau of Justice Assistance Second Chance Act demonstration grant to establish the Guam Adult Reentry Court in order to provide reentry services to individuals 18 years or older who are assessed as medium-to-high risk for recidivism using evidence-based tools; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2016, during the inaugural National Reentry Week, the U.S. Department of Justice (DOJ) sponsored events designed to raise awareness of the importance of successful reentry; and

1           **WHEREAS**, in February 2018, Public Law 34-81 was passed by *I Mina'Trentai*  
2   *Kuåttro Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* allowing the Judiciary of Guam to establish the Guam  
3   Adult Reentry Court Program. Two months later, at the recommendation of the Judicial  
4   Council of Guam, the Supreme Court of Guam established the Guam Adult Reentry  
5   Court Program as a specialized treatment program within the Superior Court of Guam  
6   through Promulgation Order 18-003-01; and

7           **WHEREAS**, that same year, the Judiciary of Guam received funding through the  
8   U.S. DOJ Programs for Adults with Co-occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Illness  
9   (CSAMI); and

10          **WHEREAS**, incarcerated persons with co-occurring substance abuse and mental  
11   illness reentering the community face many challenges in obtaining adequate and  
12   effective services such as supervision, access to treatment, formal peer recovery support  
13   services, and access to wraparound services; and

14          **WHEREAS**, other challenges faced by incarcerated individuals reentering  
15   society include but are not limited to, the need for family support, transitional housing,  
16   government identification documentation, health care and health insurance, workforce  
17   development, employment, legal services and transportation resources; and

18          **WHEREAS**, the Guam Adult Reentry Court continues to partner with various  
19   government, non-profit, and private sector organizations such as the Department of  
20   Corrections; New Beginnings, Guam Behavioral Health and Wellness Center; the  
21   Department of Public Health and Social Services; the Guam Parole Board; American  
22   Job Center, Department of Labor; Guam Housing Corporation; Guam Housing and  
23   Urban Renewal Authority; Department of Revenue and Taxation; Guam Community  
24   College; Lighthouse Recovery Center, Salvation Army; TOGHE Peer Support Services;  
25   and the Oasis Empowerment Center, in the delivery of services to support individuals  
26   who volunteer and participate in the program; now, therefore be it

27          **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'trentai Sais Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on  
28   behalf of the people of Guam, recognize April 26 to April 30, 2021 as "Reentry Court  
29   Week"; and commend individuals reentering society with the commitment to be

1 positive and engaged citizens who make meaningful contributions to our island; and be  
2 it further

3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the  
4 adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Honorable  
5 Michael F.Q. San Nicolas, Guam Delegate to U.S. Congress House of Representatives;  
6 and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, *I Maga'hågan Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI SAIS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE DAY OF APRIL 2021.**

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**THERESE M. TERLAJE**  
Speaker

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**AMANDA L. SHELTON**  
Legislative Secretary